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Homicide Investigation

The Birmingham Police Department reports that detectives are conducting a homicide investigation. The incident occurred Friday, June 24, 2016 in the 2100 block of Smith Avenue.

The victim has not been identified.

On Friday, June 24, 2016 around 8:30pm, officers from the West Precinct responded to the listed location on a car fire. Upon arrival, the Birmingham Fire Department was in the process of extinguishing the fire. Once the vehicle was extinguished the charred remains of an unknown black male was found lying outside of the car on the ground.

Witnesses reported hearing a small explosion and noticed smoke coming from the area and that is when Birmingham Fire and Rescue was notified. Detectives are unable to determine cause of death at this time due to the condition of the body. The Coroner's office will make that determination. "It is unclear what happen here but our detectives are determined to pursue every lead and are committed to not leave one stone unturned. We owe it to the family."

If there is anyone who has information pertaining to the case, please contact the B.P.D. Homicide Unit @ 254-1764 or Crime Stoppers @ 254-7777.